MECKLENBURG'S SHOW: COUNTY FAIR TO BE GREAT

Extensive Preparations to Make This Fall's Big Show the Greatest Ever Yet.

CHASE CITY, VA., July 29 .- The board of directors of the Mecklenburg County Fair Association have decided that, notwithstanding wars and rumors of wars, and notwithstanding the fact that the high cockalorum of the county fair, Captain Geoghegan, is now on the Mexican border in command of Mecklenburg's crack military company, the county fair must come off, according to date, and that it must be the success it has been in

Past years.

The meeting of the directors this week settled several things in connection with the county fair. In the first place, the dates, which were fixed as of October 3, 4, 5 and 6.

The free attractions this year will be an innovation in this section of

the country and something entirely new. There will be a change of pro-gram daily, and the attractions will more numerous than at any pre vious fair in this city. Those who have the work in charge say there

will be larger and more numerous exhibits than ever before, especially of farm products and livestock.

The fair is going to be bigger and better than ever before: that is what the directors are working for.

ANOTHER PARCEL POST

Postal Law Intended to Help Man Who Is Tiller of the Soil.

The post-office appropriation bill which, having received the approval of the President, is now the law of the the President, is now the law of the land, carries with it an unique and interesting provision. The Postmaster-General is directed to arrange for demonstrations at three or more places in the United States for the purpose of trying out efficiency methods in the distribution of the products of the farm, with the view of having the parcel post figure vitally in the solution of the marketing problem of the American farmer.

American farmer. The Southern Commercial Congress initiated this movement, and the whole thing was engineered through the United States Congress by Senator Fletcher, who happens to be the high priest of the Commercial Congress.

The measure, if the experiments are successful, will confer a definite benefit upon producer and consumer. Nine parcels go from the city to the country now, as compared to one from the country to the city. This condition should be changed. The farmer should use this machinery of the government that has been provided, and thus mar-United States Congress should be changed. The farmer should use this machinery of the government that has been provided, and thus market his produce promptly and to maximum legitimate advantage.

ACROSS THE BIG WATERS

Notwithstanding Much War Paris Re-mains Gay and Looks After Industrial Stunts.

is hard to realize that in these s of war and rumors of war all days of war and rumors of war all over Europe the French people would try to pull off an industrial exposition in Paris. But they are doing just that thing and Virginia and the South are right well represented there. W. J. Drewy, the representative of the Southern Fine Association, has written back to there shores that the exposition is yery extensive, consisting is very extensive, consisting exclusively iof building materials of all kinds and descriptions, as well as facilities and apparatus generally used by municipalities in the construction of sewers, lights, railways, road build-

The exhibit of the Southern Pine Association is attracting much atten-tion among foreigners, many of whom request specific information regard-ing the availability and purposes for which Southern yellow pine is suitable

THINGS THAT ARE GOOD

From the Cabbage Path to the Hospital and So On to the Funeral.

N C July 20 ailway connecting center, and somea railway connecting center, and somewhat famous in the years gone by for its great railway shed, which the same has for three years or more past been in the vocative, is waking up and getting in a twentieth century mood. The evidence of the same is noticeable in the action of the city authorities at a recent meeting of the governing hoard. The result of the deliberations of the town commissioners is that Weldon will build at once nearly five miles of gravel streets and 13,000 yards. miles of gravel streets and 13,000 yards of concrete pavement. These are the things that have been absolutely decided upon, and the things that will come to pass before the frosts of the come to pass before the frosts of the coming winter nip any buds are to be told about later. And the nipping, so far so it is believed, is but a small affair. Early frosts are often but small affairs. However, nobody knows what a day may bring forth, will dispute the claim of the Eastern Carolina writer, who watches things all day and all night.

Bank Statement.
NEW YORK, July 29—The statement of he actual condition of clearing-house banks had they hold \$109,246,330 reserve in excess of legal requirements. This is an increase of \$1,00,250 over last week. The statement

ollows: Actual condition: Loans, discounts, etc., \$3,188,921,000; increase, 985,000. ps5.000.
(aserve in own vaults, \$425.941.000, of which 137.000 is specie; increase, \$711.000 ; serve in Federal reserve bank, \$165.625, increase, \$582.000, eserve in other depositories, \$52.720.000; instead of the control of the co

demand deposits, \$3,125,968,000; increase, Not time deposits, \$155,261,000; decrease, .000. Cfreulation, \$31.447.000; decrease, \$42,000. Aggregate reserve, \$647.656,000. Excess reserve, \$109.246,310; increase, \$1.160.

ummary of State banks and trust com-ties in Greater New York, not lucluded clearing-house statement; usars, discounts, etc., \$716,283,900; decrease, 72,500.

. \$60.107,300; decrease, \$295,300, tenders, \$9,108,200; decrease, \$38,210, deposits, \$865,943,600; increase, \$3,144,

nks' cash reserve in vault, \$11,880,900 ust companies' cash reserve in vau

Tobacco Production.

The average production of leaf to-acco in the United States for the past six years, according to United States statistics, was 1,000,000,000 pounds. statistics. was 1,000,000,000 pounds, with a yield in 1914 and 1915 exceeding that figure by 35,000,000 and 60,000,000 pounds respectively. The crop for 1915 was 1,060,587,000 pounds, a gain of 25,908,000 pounds over the production in 1914. However, the farm value of the 1915 grow was \$5,000,000 less than 1915 grow was \$5,000,000

of 125,908,000 pounds over the production in 1914. However, the farm value
of the 1915 crop was \$5,000,000 less than
for the preceding year's growth. Similar comparison shows a decrease of
100,000 in the acreage for 1915.

The principal producing States for
1915 were, as usual, led by Kentucky
in point of quantity raised, the total
being 356,400,000 pounds for the year.
However, this was the only State
among the five largest producers that
had a less yield than during the preceding year. The shortage amounted
to 7,600,000 pounds.

The next largest producing State was
North Carolina, with a yield of 198.
400,000 pounds; Virginia's production
was 144,375,000 pounds, Ohlo grew 84,380,000 and Tennessee is credited with
69,675,000 pounds.

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ANOTHER GREAT BILL FOR LAST HALF

Witt & Winter

Topping the first of the two breezy let. bills offered at the Lyric this week is Another act to appear here

From Kokomo." The production is a sprightly musical farce in which nine characters supply the fun. Seven of and Winter, likewise on their first visit the parts in the short-order musical coinedy are played by girls. Numerous bats and equilibrity, who are said to singing and dancing specialities are presented during the action of the comedy. Some pretty and colorful bill for the latter half of the week. Seenic effects and costumes lend picturesqueness to the production, which

riquet will be seen in a single talking, singing and dancing act.

A dramatic feature will be contributed by Walsh, Lynch and company in the rural comedy playlet,
"Along the Erie." Romance and nonsense are happily blended in the story
of the piece Lynch exploits himself

HEADLINES LYRIC'S BILL of contrasting characters in this play-

the scenic comedy spectacle, "The Girl and Phillips a versatile trio whose

is heralded as one of the smartest appearance in America was as principal shows yet brought to Richmond for presentation at popular-vaudeville ferson D'Angells in "The Beauty prices.

Lovers of blackface comedy will find to first Britain and her native especial delight in the judicrous grolesqueries of Emil Subers, well known
to theater patrons as a minstrel monologist and end-man. Subers, who still
retains his "Georgia Sunflower" sobriquet, will be seen in a single talkling, singing and dancing act.

A dramatic feature will be contour of Great Britain and her native
tour of Great

Emil Subers

program is rendered in a pretty stage setting representing a woodland dell in their native country.

Ward, Bell and company, two men and a woman, will offer an acrobatic and dancing act. The woman's dancing is out of the beaten nath of acrobatic dancers and is featured in the act.

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Tom Dayles and company will be seen the largest trucks in the city. Tom Davies and company will be seen in an amusing character comedy sketch, carrying the title, "Checkmated." Special scenery and some fantastic cos-tumes lend to the laugh-making quali-ties of the eccentric bit of farce. An odd and humorous offering will

be the exhibition of thaumaturgy given by Theo Bamberg and company. Bamberg was popular in vaudeville as a comic shadowgraphist for severel sea-sons before he amplified his exhibition and introduced numerous uncanny tricks that have greatly enhanced it s an entertainment.

Supplementary to each of the new vaudeville shows will come the usual variety of motion-picture displays including fresh installments of the Mex-ican and European war series supplied by the Selig-Tribune service.

Pushing Work in Florida. WILMINGTON, N. C., July 29.—From the general offices of the Atlantic Coast Line Railway, it was to-day learned that the work of construction has been commenced on the proposed extension of the line from Sebring to Immokalee, Fla., a distance of about eighty miles. It is thought that this work will be completed a little sheet of the will be completed a little ahead of the

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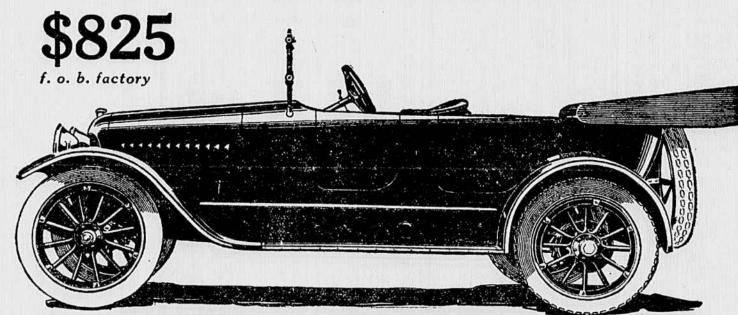
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